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JOSE LUIS SEGIMONT DE PLANDOLIT AND FUENCISLA SEGIMONT

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Mr. McCARRAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted
the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. R. 4590]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (H. R. 4590) for the relief of Jose Luis Segimont de Plandolit and Fuencisla Segimont, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon, without amendment, and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to grant the status of permanent residence in the United States to Jose Luis Segimont de Plandolit and Fuencisla Segimont. The bill provides for appropriate quota deductions and for the payment of the required visa fees and head taxes.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiaries of the bill are husband and wife, and they are 43- and 36-year-old natives and citizens of Spain, respectively. They last entered the United States on April 8 and May 25, 1949, as visitors. The male beneficiary is engaged in the manufacture of plastic coatings and has defense contracts with the United States Government of approximately \$3,000,000.

A letter dated January 28, 1952, to the chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives from the Deputy Attorney General, with reference to the case, reads as follows:

JANUARY 28, 1952.

HON. EMANUEL CELLER,
*Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.*

MY DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: This is in response to your request for the views of the Department of Justice relative to the bill (H. R. 4590) for the relief of Jose

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Luis Segimont de Plandolit and Fuencisla Segimont, aliens. The bill would grant them permanent residence in the United States.

The files of the Immigration and Naturalization Service of this Department disclose that the aliens are husband and wife who are natives and citizens of Spain, and were born on July 8, 1908, and January 8, 1916, respectively. Mr. Segimont de Plandolit last entered the United States on April 8, 1949, as a visitor for a period of approximately 3 months. Mrs. Segimont de Plandolit last entered as a visitor on May 25, 1949. They were both granted extensions of stay until August 20, 1951.

The record further discloses that Mr. Segimont de Plandolit is the vice president of the Seal Peel, Inc., a New York corporation, and president of the Featherweight Corp., a subsidiary of the Seal-Peel, Inc. These concerns are stated to be engaged in the manufacture of plastic coatings and to have defense contracts with the United States Government of approximately \$3,000,000. His wife is employed as a secretary in his office. They state that they are members of the Spanish royalty and have an income of approximately \$25,000 a year. They are the parents of four children who are presently attending school in Madrid, Spain, and who, according to the parents, will eventually apply for admission to the United States for permanent residence.

The aliens are chargeable to the quota for Spain which is oversubscribed and immigration visas are not readily obtainable. In this respect, their cases are similar to those of many other aliens who desire permanent residence in the United States but who nevertheless remain abroad and follow the procedure prescribed by law in obtaining entry. The record presents no facts which would justify granting the aliens a preference over others in like circumstances.

Accordingly, this Department is unable to recommend enactment of the measure.

Sincerely,

A. DEVITT VANECH,
Deputy Attorney General.

Congressman Louis C. Rabaut, the author of the bill, submitted to the chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives the following information in connection with the bill:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, D. C., June 9, 1952.

Re H. R. 4590

HON. EMANUEL CELLER,

*Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.*

DEAR COLLEAGUE: I have been advised that the private bill which I introduced, H. R. 4590, for the relief of Jose Luis Segimont de Plandolit and Fuencisla Segimont, has been ordered reported favorably by your committee, and I wish to submit some additional information. Enclosed are the following:

Copy of letter from M. E. Funk, president, Seal-Peel, Inc., February 6, character reference.

Copy of letter from M. E. Funk, February 6, regarding defense work of Seal-Peel, Inc.

Photostatic copy of pages 69 and 70 of the February 11 issue of Newsweek, entitled, "Seal-Peel Success."

Although the Department of Justice does not recommend enactment of this measure, the report is otherwise favorable and it establishes the fact that this case is far different from that of the ordinary case. In his association with Seal-Peel, Inc., Mr. Segimont has shown exceptional ability and he is contributing valuable services in our defense effort. In closing, may I mention that it appears to be the present intention of the Judiciary Committees of the Congress to favor the immigration of aliens of exceptional ability whose presence in this country would be "substantially beneficial prospectively to the national economy, cultural interests, or welfare of the United States." Mr. Segimont has already proved that he has these qualifications.

Sincerely yours,

LOUIS C. RABAUT, M. C.

Enclosures: 3;

The enclosures in Mr. Rabaut's letter read, in part, as follows:

SEAL-PEEL, INC.,
Van Dyke, Mich., February 6, 1952.

Hon. LOUIS C. RABAUT,
2163 Guardian Building, Detroit, Mich.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN: This is to inform you that on March 15, 1951, Mr. Jose Luis Segimont was appointed vice president of this corporation, and received an award of a special bonus, for the excellent services rendered to the company.

During the past several years of our close business association with Mr. Segimont, we have found his integrity absolutely beyond reproach. We have also learned that his business acumen is very superior, and thus enables him to cope quickly and efficiently with any situation. We feel that our firm is most fortunate to have such a competent and outstanding executive to bring our products to the attention of top echelon executives in both industry and the Armed Forces, in order that they may be informed of the great savings in costs which may be effected by the use of the products.

Mr. Segimont is handling personally, some of our largest Government accounts and made available through our laboratory, to the Armed Forces some of our materials, which we understand have preserved to satisfaction, some of the United States atomic equipment in the Pacific. Said gentleman has also recently developed and patented a "depreservation tool," which has aroused a great deal of interest among the packaging and preservation services of our Armed Forces.

If the writer, or any member of our firm, can be of further assistance, we shall be happy to have you contact us.

Thanking you for your kindness and consideration to our associate, we are

Very truly yours,

M. E. FUNK, *President.*

SEAL-PEEL, INC.,
Van Dyke, Mich., February 6, 1952.

Re Jose Luis Segimont's immigration case.

Hon. LOUIS C. RABAUT,
2163 Guardian Building, Detroit, Mich.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN: Since Mr. Segimont is in the executive capacity as vice president of this firm, we believe you will be interested in having the following information in support of such case.

Seal-Peel, Inc., is engaged in Government business to the extent of approximately 90 percent of our total volume. We are both prime and subcontractors for the Armed Forces.

In addition, we are also suppliers of the Atomic Energy Commission at several points of their laboratory operations. We would not usually release such information, but we feel free to give it to you for obvious reasons. One such installation is the Mound Laboratories and another the AEC at Oak Ridge. In the event that some detail would be of interest, we list below examples of the types of orders we serve:

Buyer	Contract No.	Dollar value
Ordnance Department, Raritan Arsenal.....	DA-28-024-ORD-628..	\$68,250.00
U. S. Marine Corps, Depot of Supply, Nebco, Calif.....	N52 M-28284	28,000.00
U. S. Navy Aviation Supply Philadelphia, Pa.....	N383-s155s-61261	6,248.00
Air Material Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.....	AF 33 (03s)-27076	55,800.00
Navy Supply Depot, Mechanicsburg, Pa.....	N 383-1555-41259	8,100.00
Ordnance Department, Red River Arsenal.....	DA 28-024-ORD-199..	49,000.00
Do.....	DA 28-024-ORD-799..	94,858.00
Columbus General Depot, Columbus.....	DA 28-024-ORD-347..	12,352.50

We anticipate orders from the same and similar sources for this year of 1952, of approximately \$5,000,000. We are also engaged in considerable experimental work in designing new types of Government packaging, as well as more efficient types of materials. If you wish to have any additional information, please advise.

Yours very truly,

M. E. FUNK, *President.*

Senator Estes Kefauver has introduced in the Senate a bill S. 3192, which is a similar bill. In view of the fact that the committee is reporting on the instant bill favorably, the bill (S. 3192) will be indefinitely postponed.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (H. R. 4590) should be enacted.

